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Dear Sir/Madam:

Response and Amendment

This response is being submitted in reply to the office action mailed on March 11, 2008, wherein we were provided one month (without surcharges) to reply to the "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment." The response was timely filed except the computer automatic re-numbered certain paragraphs as a claim. In other words, a portion of claim 10 was inadvertently identified as claim 11. Despite the obvious typographical error, the USPTO elected not to identify the obvious typographical error and elected not to send a second non-compliant amendment. We thank the USPTO for not overlooking the obvious typographical error and waiting more than four months to notice the typographical error which resulted in significantly increased fees.

We canceled claims 11-19 to avoid any confusion with the USPTO regarding the last amendment and this response. We also added

new claim 20 --original claim 11 --, new claim 21 --original claim 12 --, new claim 22 -- originally claim 13 -new claim 23 -- originally claim 15 -- Applicant submits the corrected section of the alleged non-compliant amendment. Accordingly, this application is believed to be in condition for allowance and it is respectfully solicited that such allowance be granted.

Respectfully submitted

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